IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Group Art Unit: 2163
Rod A. DEKONING et al.) Examiner: Patrick A. Darno
Application No.: 10/787,320) Confirmation No.: 4321
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For: Systems And Methods For Providing Snapshot Capabilities In A Storage Virtualization Environment))))

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 4, 2007, the period for reply having been extended to August 6, 2007, (August 4, 2007, being a Saturday) by a request for ONE month extension of time and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow on page 12 of this paper.

Attachments include a Request for Continued Examination.